Service Date: July 7, 2005

DEPARTMENT OF PUBLIC SERVICE REGULATION BEFORE THE PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION OF THE STATE OF MONTANA

IN THE MATTER of the Application by)	
Havre Pipeline Company to Revise and)	UTILITY DIVISION
Unbundle its Interruptible Transportation)	
Natural Gas Service, to Establish an)	DOCKET NO. D2005.4.48
Interruptible Compression Service Rate and)	
an Interruptible Transportation Service)	ORDER NO. 6646a
Rate, to Seek Approval for Re-Classification	n)	
of Assets)	

PROTECTIVE ORDER

On May 31, 2005, Havre Pipeline Company (HPC) filed its Motion for a Protective Order and Brief in Support with the Public Service Commission (Commission). The Motion was filed pursuant to § 69-3-105(2), MCA, and ARM 38.2.5001 through 38.2.5030. The Motion requests protection for its state and federal tax returns. HPC argued that its state and federal tax returns are confidential information protected from disclosure by other state and federal laws.

The Commission determines that HPC has met the requirements of ARM 38.2.5007, and has made a prima facie showing that the information described is confidential information pursuant to ARM 38.2.5001(1). HPC's Motion is granted. Information submitted in accordance with this Order will be treated as confidential information under the terms of this Order and Commission protective order rules, ARM 38.2.5001-5030.

This Order may be challenged at any time pursuant to ARM 38.2.5008. NWE is reminded that following the issuance of this Order it must comply with ARM 38.2.5016.

Done and dated this 14th day of June, 2005, by a vote of 5-0.

BY ORDER OF THE MONTANA PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION

BRAD MOLNAR, Vice-Chairman

DOUG MOOD, Commissioner

ROBERT H RANEY, Commissioner

THOMAS J. SCHNEIDER, Commissioner

ATTEST:

Connie Jones

Commission Secretary

(SEAL)

NOTE: There is no reconsideration of the granting of a protective order. There is a procedure to challenge the provider's claim of confidentiality. See ARM 38.2.5008. Reconsideration of a denial of a protective order is available in accordance with ARM 38.2.4806.